



NEWSLETTER

We have had a brilliant first half term back at school and the children have enjoyed getting back into a routine, having fun with their learning and taking part in exciting activities. Our diary is starting to get busier now so please take a look at the dates on the next page to see what's coming up.

Year 6 Leadership Mornings

On the 5th and 6th October, Year 6 had two leadership mornings. The children enjoyed a range of activities to develop their leadership skills such as the magic stick, monkey rescue, the beanbag challenge and learning about why geese are good leaders. The attached photo shows the children tackling the beanbag challenge. These mornings were organised alongside Selside School and, although we carried out the activities in our own schools, we had the opportunity to connect via video link so that the children could share what they had learnt.



Harvest Festival

It was lovely to celebrate our Harvest Festival outside this week which meant we could bring all the children together to share what they have been doing in their classes to celebrate Harvest. Reception and Year 1 showed their paintings and talked about what they had drawn. Year 3 and 4 shared some of their harvest poems. Year 5 and 6 read some harvest prayers they had written. You can see photos of our celebration on Facebook. Thank you for all of your donations for the food bank and the silver coins to help the Bishop's Harvest Appeal.

Parents' Evening

You should have had a letter about your child's parents' evening which will be done via phone call this term. If you have not yet done so, please call the office to arrange an appointment. I have put the date for each class in the diary on the next page.

Teacher-run After School Clubs

I am pleased to say that we are going to be starting our teacher-run after school clubs again after half term. Please see the attached slip to sign your child up for a club.

PE Kits

The new system where the children now come into school wearing their kits on PE days is working well – thank you for your support with this. Please can you send your child to school these days in their PE uniform which is a white top (either plain or with the school logo) and black shorts. As it is starting to get cold, we recommend your child wears some jogging bottoms or similar and a plain hoody/jumper on these days. Since the children are coming into school in their PE kits 2 days a week and it looks like this may be a long-term system, please can the jogging bottoms and hoodies be either grey or black to fit in with our school uniform. Your child is also welcome to wear their school red hoody or jumper.

Virtual Tournaments

We are taking part in some virtual sports tournaments with the cluster this term. The children will do a variety of skills-based activities in schools and results will be sent to Cartmel Priory. The children have already had a lot of fun doing the virtual football tournament and we are awaiting the results.

Intergenerational Friendship Club

KS2 have been writing letters, poems and stories for the elderly people in the Intergenerational Friendship Club. We can't meet up at the moment but the club regularly share a video which some of the children's writing will feature on. We hope this will put some smiles onto people's faces!

Remembrance Day

We will be holding our Remembrance service on 11th November. Unfortunately, we cannot yet invite parents but we will post some photos on Facebook.

Christmas Plays

Usually at this point of the year we would be starting to organise our production at the village hall. We have decided this year to move our big production to the summer term when we hope we will be able to invite parents. EYFS & KS1 will be putting on a nativity this year and more information on this will be sent home closer to the time.

Illnesses

As long as your child or anybody in their household are not experiencing symptoms of Covid-19, they can still come to school. Please keep your child at home if they or a member of their household have a new continuous cough, high temperature or loss of taste or smell. As always with any illnesses, please let the office know if your child is not going to be in school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Curwen

Dates for your diary and information:

Monday 19 th October	Parents' evening via phone call: Reception/Nursery with Miss Massey
Tuesday 20 th October	Parents' evening via phone call: Year 5 and 6 with Mrs Curwen
Wednesday 21 st October	Parents' evening via phone call: Year 1 and 2 with Mrs Law
Thursday 22 nd October	Parents' evening via phone call: Year 3 and 4 with Mrs Watson
Friday 23 rd October	School finishes for half term
Monday 2 nd November – Thursday 5 th November	Year 6 Bikeability at various times throughout the week
Monday 9 th November	Year 5 and 6 Parliament Week
Monday 9 th November	Year 5 and 6 Parliament Workshop via video link
Wednesday 11 th November	Remembrance Day
Thursday 12 th November	Year 5 and 6 video Q&A with Tim Farron
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need
Monday 30 th November	Nasal flu immunisation
Friday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
Friday 18 th December	School finishes for end of term.

After School Clubs Running from the 2nd November until 11th December

Please fill out the slip below and return to the office.

Child's name _____

Please tick the clubs below that you would like your child to attend. Some clubs will have a limited number of spaces and these will be allocated on a first come first served basis:

Monday – KS2 multi-skills with Mrs Watson 3:15 – 4:15pm	
Wednesday – KS1 multi-skills with Miss Massey 3:15 – 4:15pm	
Thursday KS2 drawing club with Mrs Curwen 3:15 – 4:15pm	
Thursday KS1 craft club with Mrs Law 3:15 – 4:15pm	

Signed _____ Date _____